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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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9 **GHEBREYESUS, et al** )  
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Plaintiff(s), )  
vs. )  
FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF )  
ETHIOPIA, et al )  
Defendant(s). )

) Case #2:22-cv-01717-RFB-EJY

**VERIFIED PETITION FOR  
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE  
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY  
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED  
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT  
AND DESIGNATION OF  
LOCAL COUNSEL**

FILING FEE IS \$250.00

16 \_\_\_\_\_ Russell A. Bikoff \_\_\_\_\_, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:  
17 (name of petitioner)

18 1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of

19 \_\_\_\_\_ Russell A. Bikoff, Attorney and Counselor at Law  
(firm name)

20 with offices at \_\_\_\_\_ 1620 L St., NW Ste. 610  
(street address)

21 \_\_\_\_\_ Washington \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ District of Columbia \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ 20036 \_\_\_\_\_,  
(city) (state) (zip code)

22 \_\_\_\_\_ (202) 466-8270 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ BikoffLaw@verizon.net \_\_\_\_\_.  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

23 2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by  
24 \_\_\_\_\_ Brook Bekele \_\_\_\_\_ to provide legal representation in connection with  
25 [client(s)]

26 the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

1       3. That since February 2, 1987 (date), Petitioner has been and presently is a  
 2 member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State of District of Columbia  
 3 (state) where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or  
 4 from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular  
 5 possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying  
 6 the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.

7       4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District  
 8 Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts  
 9 of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good  
 10 standing of the bars of said Courts.

Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
U.S. Supreme Court	April 15, 1980	NA
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Cir.	October 19, 1981	NA
U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Cir.	January 17, 2006	DC 407397
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Cir.	July 8, 2014	VA 88267
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of NY	January 9, 1979	NA
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of VA	January 23, 2015	VA 88267
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia	May 2, 2005	DC 407397

19       5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,  
 20 nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory  
 21 or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or  
 22 disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

23       None

1       6.    That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Give  
2    particulars if ever denied admission):

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6       7.    That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.

7    D.C. Bar, Virginia State Bar  
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10     8.    Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2  
11    (formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)

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That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court  
FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.

STATE OF Virginia )  
COUNTY OF Fairfax )

Russell S. Schiroff  
Petitioner's signature

Petitioner's signature

Russell A. Bikoff \_\_\_\_\_, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That the foregoing statements are true.

Russell A. Schloff  
Petitioner's signature

Petitioner's signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022  
Ibrahim H. Ammar  
Notary Public or Clerk of Court

**DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO  
THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate James A. Beckstrom, Esq.,  
(name of local counsel) Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of said designated Nevada counsel is:

400 S. 4th Street, Suite 650  
(street address)

Las Vegas NV 89101

\_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code)

725 300 0599, JB@Beckstromlaw.com  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address).

1 By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes  
2 agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations  
3 binding on all of us.

## APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL

The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) JAMES A. BECKSTROM as  
(name of local counsel)  
his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.

(party's signature)

(party's signature)

(type or print party name, title)

## **CONSENT OF DESIGNEE**

The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.

James Beckstrom  
Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature

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Bar number

JB@BECKSTROMLAW.COM

**APPROVED:**

24 DATED this 16th day of November, 2022.

~~RICHARD F. BOULWARE, III~~  
United States District Judge



*On behalf of JULIO A. CASTILLO, Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals,  
the District of Columbia Bar does hereby certify that*

## ***Russell Bikoff***

*was duly qualified and admitted on February 2, 1987 as an attorney and counselor entitled to  
practice before this Court; and is, on the date indicated below, an Active member in good  
standing of this Bar.*

*In Testimony Whereof,  
I have hereunto subscribed my  
name and affixed the seal of this  
Court at the City of  
Washington, D.C., on October 24, 2022.*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julio A. Castillo".  
JULIO A. CASTILLO  
Clerk of the Court

*Issued By:*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Chu".  
David Chu - Director, Membership  
District of Columbia Bar Membership

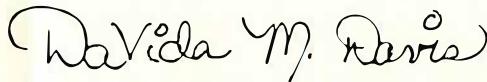
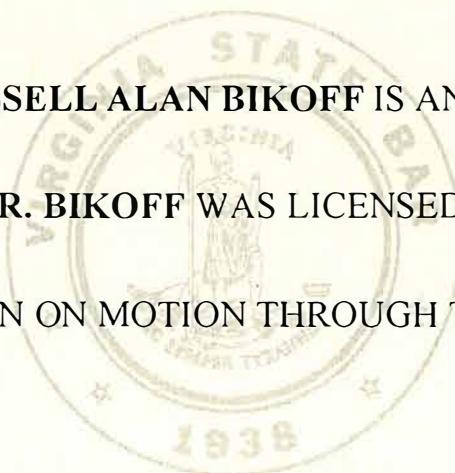
*For questions or concerns, please contact the D.C. Bar Membership Office at 202-626-3475 or email  
memberservices@dcbar.org.*

# VIRGINIA STATE BAR

## CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT RUSSELL ALAN BIKOFF IS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR IN GOOD STANDING. MR. BIKOFF WAS LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN VIRGINIA ON JANUARY 6, 2015, AFTER ADMISSION ON MOTION THROUGH THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA.

Issued October 27, 2022



*DaVida M. Davis*

DaVida M. Davis  
Director of Regulatory Compliance